



Mountainville Academy

Board Meeting Agenda

Oct. 8, 2014

Notice is hereby given that the Mountainville Academy Board of Trustees will hold a Board Meeting and Executive Session at 195 S Main Street, Alpine, UT on Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Board Members in attendance are Mary Given, Debby Llewelyn, Jeff Call, Jenney Rees, Laura Oscarson, Jack Garzella, Kaylynn Sims. Also in attendance are Janese Vance, Kristen Trelz, Brian Storrs, Curtis Bullock, Matt Lovell, Jill Ashby, Mac Sims, Jennifer Moulder, Christel Swasey, Tami Hirsch. Members of the Public. David Kasperson is excused

BOARD MEETING.

1. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER 7:00 pm

- A. Reverent Remarks - Kaylynn Simms
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

2. PUBLIC COMMENT 7:05 pm:

Public Comment is time for the public to give input to the board, but is not a discussion time. Comments are limited to 1-2 minutes per individual. Individuals wishing to make a longer presentation to the board may request placement on the agenda by contacting the board secretary or chairman. Administrative items, those regarding the day-to-day operation of the school, may be referred to the school director for resolution. Individuals who have previously met with the school director and still have concerns should feel free to participate in the public comment portion of the meeting.

Crystal Swayzes - discussed several facts that she believes that SAGE testing should not be allowed in Mountainville. She believes that the data collected is being collected without parents consent. Formative testing belongs in the school and not at the state to national level. She believes that there is no opt out option for the data being collected. She believes that the FERPA law is not in effect anymore and that many people can have access to the students data. AIR writes the test and she believes that the test isn't neutral. Jeff C. requested for her to send her information to the Academic Excellence committee.

Tammi Hertz - discussed her research on the math and her love of Mountainville. Discussed AIR and its other contracts. She doesn't believe that her child's data is safe with AIR. In the past it was aggregate information. She believes that now the personal information is going to Washington. Her frustration is with AIR and how the curriculum will change in order to teach for the test.

3. Extended Public Comment 7:10

4. BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT 7:20:- Matt discussed some line items in the budget. Explained some minor changes in the budgets so that revenues better aligned with expenses. 1711 & 1712 split two categories. added line item for expenses for these revenue coming in. There was an adjustment to the property insurance. Updated budget will be an action item in Nov. Jeff indicated that they are just aligning the budget so there aren't surprises later. Matt Lovell left the meeting. 7:40pm

5. CONSENT AGENDA 7:30

- A. Minutes 9.10.14 - Debby moved to accept the minutes. Jeff seconded. All ayes. No nays.

6. ACTION ITEMS 7:40:

- A. Dress Code Policy Update - Matt went over the policy. Jennifer Moulder indicated that we had discussed this before. Jenney moved to accept the updated dress code policy. Jack seconded. All Ayes.
- B. Fiscal Policy - Matt indicated that the policy is only changed in one line in accordance with the boards decision from last month. Jack moved to except the fiscal policy update from \$1000 to \$2000. Jeff seconded. All Ayes.
- C. Paid-time policy (PTO)-6108 - Debby indicated that the teachers, board and finance committee all worked together to write the new policy. Janese indicated that the teachers wanted to thank the board for the change. Jeff indicated that there was no negative financial impact but positive for the teachers. Administration has the authority to create a donation bank for a teacher in need. Jack moved to accept the new paid time off policy. Matt Naye, Jack, Debby, Jeff, Kaylynn, Laura, Jenney said aye.

- D. UCA review - Janese indicated that they are using dibels scores for benchmark. High attendance, Good teacher qualifications, and leader in me were are reported to state. They discussed professional development and what the money is paying for. She also discussed other things the state wanted for the report. Debby motioned that we moved to accept the UCA report as presented. Jack seconded. All ayes.
- E. Land Trust 2012-2013 Final Report - Clarify that it is the 2013-2014 final plan. She indicated that we used the money as we reported we would. She read the report to us and explained how the money was spent. Mary moved to accept the school land trust final report as presented. Jeff seconded. All ayes.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS 8:15:

- A. Board Training -School Land Trust Videos - Both videos were watched by the board during the meeting.
- B. Committee Responsibility Definition
 - i. Development Committee - Board discussed development committees responsibility.
- C. Charter Fidelity Monitoring Review - Debby indicated that they are standards that help charters stay in alignment with the schools charter and using the funds wisely.
- D. Directors Report - Janese indicated that there is lots going on but things are running smoothly.
- E. Committee Reports 9:00:
 - i. Executive - Debby we met.
 - ii. Academic Excellence - Mary indicated that we had met and the committee review the reading assessment, ACT testing, and sage testing mid-year.
 - iii. Finance - Jeff indicated that the auditor came for the review. He has contacted the state and we are hoping that the student funding will be favorable.
 - iv. Development - Jenney indicated that they had met and granted fundraising with potatoes that students and staff won't be involved. Jenney indicated that parents aren't happy about the fundraising for the student government trip. March 12th is the fundraising dinner. Jenney indicated that they are working on getting more student involvement.
 - v. Governance - Matt discussed a business continuity plan is being worked on and Jennifer Moulder is working on that. The committee made goals to increase size of committee and to respond to policy changes quickly.
 - vi. Technology - Jack talked about the MALions.org is being eliminated. They are trying to white list the appropriate sites. He also indicated more laptops are being donated.
 - vii. FSO Report - Kaylynn indicated that they had a successful carnival. They are looking at several options for snack shack and pizza day. She discussed middle school activities.
- D. Other

8. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board will consider a motion to close the meeting to hold a strategy session to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation, and/or to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, and/or the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual in conformance with § 52-4-204 and 52-4-205 et. seq., Utah Code Ann.

9:03. Debby moved to enter closed session for character and competency. Kaylynn seconded. Jenney, Laura, Kaylynn, Mary, Jeff, Debby, Matt all ayes.

9:36 Debby moved to close session. Jeff seconded. Jennney, Laura, Kaylynn, Mary, Jeff, Debby, Jack, Matt. Debby moved to adjourn meeting. Matt seconded. All AYES.

9. Any action items from Executive Session

10. ADJOURN The public is welcome to attend Mountainville Academy Board Meetings. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, those needing special assistance or accommodations should contact the secretary at mgiven@mountainvilleacademy.org, giving at least one working day notice.